A BATTLE OF BIG PURSES.

The Fiercest Fight Ever Seen in Wall Street.

HENRY VILLARD IS THE VICTOR.

Elljah Smith Heads a Powerful Party to Wrest the Oregon Transcontinental Corporation From His Grasp.

"I Have Won"-Villard. NEW YORK. May 17 .- The last hour of bus mess on the New York stock exchange bc-day marked a climax of one of the most exciting chapters in Wall street history, and closed the flercest fight that was ever known on the floor of the exchange. The prize for which the battle was tought was the control of the Oregon Transcontinental corporation, with a capital of \$40,000,000, and holding the control of one of the most important railroads in the Pacific northwest. The control of the company is now held by Henry Villard, and associated with him are the magnates of the Standard Oil company, Baron Bleichroder, Bismarck's financial agent, Edward Tabbot, John Trevor, W. L. Colby, and some of the largest bankers in the city. This is the aggregation of capital the enemies of Villard worked against. The opposition includes all the big insiders in the Union Pacific road—Charles Francis Adams, Sidney Dillon, Fred Ames, Elijah Smith, and others equally as prominent. Elijah Smith had charge of the campaign to oust Villard, and proposed to take his piace, as he did once before when Villard went down in the crash following the driving of the golden spike on the Northern Pacific. For a long time both sides were active in quietly accumulating stock, but it was not till to-day, the last day on which to register stock to vete at the election, that supreme efforts were made. In the exchange all regular sales made are not deliverable until Bleichroder, Bismarck's financial agent, Ed-

efforts were made. In the exchange all regular sales made are not deliverable until Monday, but sales made of cash stock has to be delivered before 2:15 p. m. Out of 250,000 shares of stock traded in to-day 29,000 shares were cash stock, and the price moved up from \$31 per share to \$61½ per share before the exchange closed. From 40 to 45 the stock moved up 1 per cent at a time. Then it jumped 5 per cent on a single transaction, and after moving up 1 per cent more, made a jump of 9 per cent to 60. It soon soid at 64½, the highest price reached in six years. All the time the trading was marked by intense excitement, and the day will never be forgotexcitement, and the day will never be forgot-ten by those who took part in the dealings. After the registry book was closed, Villard met Eiljah Smith, and said:
"I have won. I have 201,000 shares locked

up in my boxes.' As the capital stock of the company is 400,000 shares, this would give the Villard party 1,000 shares majority, but Smith would not admit he was defeated, although he did not claim a victory.

Another Victory for Villard. NEW YORK, May 17 .- Arguments on the Injunction suit of Elijah Smith and Edward R. Bell, brought to restrain Henry Villard and others from issuing 10,000,000 Oregon Transcontinental company stock and from pledging \$12,000,000 Oregon Railway and Navigation company stock, as security for dividends therein, was continued before Judge Barrett, in the supreme court, this afternoon. The counsel for the defendants read Villard's answer on the main question. Villard's answer was very voluminous, and went into details in the matter of the antecedents of the present litigation. After this the lawyers in the case talked informally with each other and to the court. An argee-ment was flually arrived at and an order for Villard's examination was vacated, and the injunction was virtually disposed of in the same way, upon the stipulation that Villard and his associates should not try to issue any stock before the election.

Inter-State Commerce Circular. WASHINGTON, May 17 .- The inter-state commerce commission has issued a circular letter addressed to the labor organizations of the country, soliciting information and discussion upon the question of federal regulation of safety appliances on railroads. In opening, the letter reads as follows:

"The large number of accidents to employes and passengers occurring on the rail-rouds of this country, and the public belief that a great part of these might be avoided of proper appliances, have led many states to make the mechanical features of railroad working the subject of statutory regulation. It is well known, however, that in respect to some at least of these features the condition as such that regulation, if at-tempted, can neither secure adequate benefit to the public nor be just to the railroads themselves unless it be uniform over the whole country."
In view of this fact the inter-state com-

merce commission desires to call out as full information and discussion as possible upon the question of federal regulation of safety appliances on the railroads.

An Electric Freight Scheme. NEW YORK, May 17 .- | Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- A new scheme of transportation is to be introduced between New York and Boston, whereby, it is said, large packages can be whished from one place to the other. a distance of 230 miles, in less than an hour. This would be equal to a speed of four miles per minute. An experiment with the new machine was held, yesterday, in Boston, in the presence of many scientists, including Prof. A. E. Dolbear, of Tufts college, who announced that he was thoroughly satisfied of the success of the system. The inventor, John G. Williams, is a resident of this city. His machine consists of a magnet car, hang-ing from a single rail, where it follows a streak of electricity. With one horse power, it is said, one ton can be thus transported a distance of 1,440 miles a day, at a cost of only 30 cents. A single track is to be carried on tripods some distance above the ground, and the car will pass through coils of insulated

The "Q" Retrenchment Policy. CRESTON, Ia., May 17 .- [Special to THE BEE. |- With the change of time last Sunday on the "Q" passenger trains, Nos. 61 and 62, on the Creston and Hopkins brauch, were discontinued: also freight trains Nos. 67 and 68. In consequence, there is some vigorous kicking done by the residents of every town along the line. It is learned from very reliable sources that the "Q" is diverting freight from its lowa lines, Superintendent Brown's contradiction to the contrary notwithstanding. It is hinted that a reduction in passenger fares will be next in order if things do not assume a more favorable aspect.

Wabash Finances For April. CRICAGO, May 17 .- | Special Telegram to THE HEE. |-The Wabash railway report for April shows receipts of \$707,251.14, and disreements of \$791,485.16. Of the latter amount \$197,300.03 were for taxes. Since January 1, the receipts have been \$21,670,-690.59, and expenditures \$21,474,279.53. The balance on hand April 30, was \$106,411.06. Receiver McNulta said, to-day, that he thought the officers would be removed to St. Louis about the middle of July. Louis about the middle of July.

Stockholders Apply For a Receiver CHICAGO, May 17 .- Arguments were heard before Judge Gresham, in the United States circuit court, to-day, on the application of certain bondholders for a receiver for the Chicago & Atlantic railroad. Judge Gresham said he would not do anything in the case at present. The appointment of a receiver was an extreme remedy and should not be re-sorted to unless absolutely necessary. He

suggested that the lawyers consult together and to-morrow hand in names of some men whom they would like for receivers, in case the appointment of one should be decided

Decreased Union Pacific Earnings. Boston, May 17 .- The gross earnings of the Union Pacific railway's entire system for March were \$2,751,000, a decrease from the same month last year of \$543,000; net earnings, \$921,000; a decrease of \$501,000. For three months to March 3i, the net earnings were \$1,970,000, a decrease from the same time last year of \$615,000.

HEAVY RAIN STORMS.

Much Damage to Railroads-Three Men Drowned. SALINA, Kas., May 17 .- This section of the country has just been visited by a perfect deluge of rain. It has been highly beneficial

to the crops, but disastrous to the railroads. The Rock Island and Santa Fe tracks at Sand Springs have been washed out. The Missouri Pacific had two washouts a few miles out and west of here. On the south branch east of Marquette three trestles were displaced. The McPherson branch of the Union Pacific also had fifty feet of track carried away. All the creeks are full, and, in many cases, overflowing. No damage is reported except on railroads. From Abilene and McPherson also come reports of heavy storms and wash-outs on the railroads. Kansas City, Mo., May 17.—A heavy rain

Kansas City, Mo., May 17.—A heavy rain storm passed over this section, to-day, doing a great deal of damage in this city and in Kansas City, Kan., where several streets were badly washed out. The railroads are considerably demoralized, and not a road sent in a train exactly on time, to-night. Most of the roads are from one to three hours late, but the western lines are in worse shape, and the Denver express on the Union Pacific, due at 7 a. m., did not get in until 4 o'clock this afternoon. A large portion of the hulff facing the Missouri river portion of the bluff facing the Missouri river was washed down over the Chicago & Alton road, and that road was compelled to use the Wabash tracks to-night. To-night's reports regarding to-day's storm

indicate it was more severe than was at first thought. The railroads are the chief suf ferers. Two spans of the Rush Creek bridge on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul road on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul road near Liberty, Mo., were washed away and trains between Kansas City and Chil-licothe have been abandoned. The Kansas City, St. Joe and Council Bluffs tracks are submerged twelve inches for a distance near Parkeville. The Hannibal tracks are also under water near Liberty. All east-bound Rock Island trains go from Kansas City via St. Joseph to Cameron. The Union Pacific is badly damaged near Manhattan, Kan., where the Kaw river is thirteen feet above low water mark. The Missouri Pa-cific is badly demoralized in all directions, and its trains are from two to four hours late Several bad washouts are reported between here and Little Blue. In this city the Eighteenth street cable line was stopped six hours on account of the flood, and the power house of the Tenth street line was so badly flooded that water had to be pumped out of the boiler rooms for several hours to keep the machinery in operation. The Tweifth street line was stopped for over an hour, on account of the water flooding the conduits in the loop at the eastern city limits. Be-tween Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets, for a distance of two blocks in the eastern part of city, the entire surface is under water. floors of nearly all the dwellings in that territory are submerged, causing great incon-

At Kansas City, Kas., \$25,000 worth of damage has been done. In Armondale a number of cottages were flooded, while on Split Log creek there is an area of ten acres that is now a lake from five to twenty feet deep. The house of M. Hisler was flooded to the ceiling and the family rescued with diffi-

culty.

Council Grove, May 17.—Heavy rains fell here all last night and to-day. The Neosho river is higher than for years, and families living on low ground have been forced to a hasty flight. The stream is still rising. MILWAUKEE, May 17 .- During a terrific rain storm to night a temporary dam at the end of the Island avenue tunnel was swept away and five workmen engaged inside were caught by the receding waters. Two of them succeeded in getting out, but the other were drowned. The bodies have not

THE PRESBYTERIAN ASSEMBLY. More Money and More Ministers

Needed. New York, May 17.—At the second day's session of the Presbyterian general assembly the old rules for the government of the assembly were adopted. The moderator announced the standing committees for the session. Invitations to visit the Princeton and Union Theological seminaries were accepted. The report of the committee on extinct church es, declaring that a "church property committe" should be appointed, to which all cases of defunct churches should be referred, was adopted. The report of the educational committee showed that at present there were more than five hundred churches with a membership of from one to twenty-five without pastors, because of the lack of funds. The rate of dissolution last venr was 36 per cent, the largest in the his tory of the Presbyterian church, which was attributed to the need of money principally. The chairman said that work among the colored population needed attention. The constant diminution of the ministerial force by reason of old age also required attention. In conclusion he said the church must have paid and ordained ministers to meet this growing demand for ministerial aid to church interests. It was vital to church

interests and required prompt action. Colonel Elliott F. Shepard, in reading the report of the committee on Sabbath observance, found several subjects for congratulation, among them the closing of the saloons in Clacinnati and the decrease in circulation of Sunday newspapers. The committee had also in view the stoppage of the transporta-tion of the mails on Sunday and the decrease of interstate traine. Colonel Shepard recommended the plan of the American Sabbath union for carrying out these things. A motion was made and carried to the effect that the report be printed, when Dr. Allison, of Allegheny, Pa., called attention to the statement made to him by a Cincingsti minister, who was not in constitution. of interstate traffic. Colonel Shepard recclincinnati minister, who was not a commis-sioner, and, therefore, was not allowed to talk for himself. The statement was that at the last election in Cincinnati, Mr. Mosoy said he would not enforce the law closing the saloons on Sundays, and he was elected mayor on that issue, so that the saloons there were open every day. Colonel Shepard said he was unaware of that, and agreed to strike out the reference to Sabbath observance in Cincin-

nati in his report, The report of the special committee on mis-sions recommended that the board of missions for freedmen, as now constituted and located, be continued, and that it should con-

trol the entire work among the freedmen. Fire at Noblesville, Ind. Indianapolis, May 17 .- At 10:30 to night telegram was received at Noblesville, twenty miles north, stating the town was on

fire and in danger of destruction, and re-

questing that aid be sent. Two fire compa-

nies were sent. No turther information has yet been received. A later report from Noblesville says the fire has now been extinguished and the engines are returning. No estimate of the losses or insurance can be given to night.

An Anarchist Conspiracy. Madrid, May 17 .- An anarchist-republican conspiracy has been discovered at Succa, near Valencia. The conspirators, all peas-ants, planned to take, to-day, and sack the houses of the wealthy. The police and the soldiers arrested many persons.

Big Fire at New Orleans. NEW ORLEANS, May 17 .- At 1 o'clock this morning fire broke out at the corner of Rocheblanc and Perdido streets. At 1.30 a general alarm had been turned in and a

FLOATING CABINET GOSSIP.

Interesting Specimens of the Noble Art of Guessing.

Attorney-General Miller Mentioned to Fill the Vacancy on the Su-

preme Bench-General Angus Talked of for Russia.

Washington Bureau, The Omaha Bre, 513 Fourteenta Street, Washington, D. C., May 17. The air is filled with all sorts of rumors about cabinet changes, most of which are wild, very wild, and unreliable, but some of them are interesting. Your correspondent will give some of the interesting gossip afloat, but nothing is said upon the subject involved by administration men. It is generally believed that Attorney General Miller will be appointed a justice of the supreme court of the United States to fill the vacancy created by the death of Justice Matthews, and that his preferment will take place in September or the early part of October. It may be that Secretary Tracy, of the pavy department, will succeed Mr. Miller as attorney general, and First Assistant Posttorney general, and First Assistant Postmaster General Clarkson will become secretary of the navy. General Tracy would prefer the legal portfolio to that of the navy.
Mr. Clarkson went into the postoffice
department believing that he would
finally become secretary of the interior or postmaster general by
the transfer of Noble on the retirement of
Mr. Wanamaker, but the natural tastes and
training of General Tracy, and the fact that
Mr. Noble is becoming popular as secretary
of the interior, incline those connected most
closely with the administration to believe
that Mr. Clarkson is more likely to be secretary of the navy than secretary of the intertary of the navy than secretary of the inter-ior. This evening's Star says: "In judicial and political circles it is confidentially stated and political circles it is confidentially stated that the president will soon have to fill not one, but two vacancies on the supreme bench of the United States, the second one being caused by the retirement of Justice Miller. Who who fill the present empty chair, is still a matter for conjecture with all the probabilities in favor of Attorney General Miller, but as to the place occupied by Justice Miller, no name has as yet been suggested to the president name has as yet been suggested to the president save that of ex-Secretary of War George B. McCreary, and his sponser was the justice himself. At present the justice believes he will retire early in December and he is really most anxious that December and he is really most anxious that his friend, McCreary, should succeed him. Thirty years ago, when Judge Miller was practicing law in Keckuk, Ia., he took McCreary into his office and there laid the foundation for the broad legal knowledge which McCreary is now credited with having in his possession. Mr. McCreary is now general counsel to the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railrand.

Santa Fe railroad. APPOINTMENT DAYS. At the first or second business meeting of President Harrison's cabinet it was determined that Tuesdays and Fridays should be ined that Tuesdays and Fridays should be days in each week when general appointments would be made. Exceptions to this rule were made in isolated instances, although it was very closely adhered to, and the great bulk of appointments have been announced or agreed upon for those days. A new schedule has just been arranged, which will undoubtedly be more satisfactory to the office-seeking masses, as it gives one more day in the week to them. Appointments for the department will be agreed upon or made as follows: Mondays, interior departmen; Tuesdays, postoffice; interior departmen; Tuesdays, postoffice; Wednesdays, treasury. There are to be few appointments made for the other five de-partments and they have not been put on the schedule for the filling of emergencies. This schedule will, of course, be deviated from. In some of the departments complaints are heard that the failure to make changes in the principal positions is having the effect of clogging business, as the officers who daily expect to be relieved take no interest in the ousiness, and in many instances refuse to

CLARKSON EXPLAINS. Assistant Postmaster-General Clarkson xplained to-day how it was that changes in fourth-class postmasterships were not taking place more rapidly at this time. It was do termined some weeks ago that the appoint ments should be confined to places filled by the late administration during 1885, as long as there were changes to make, except Instances where changes were a necessity. As there are altogether 55,000 fourth-class postmasters it will be seen that several weeks, probably several months would be required to turn out the rabid democrats who are inefficient, and put in capable republi cans in this class, as it will be remembered that Colonel Stevenson, the late first assistant postmaster-general, wielded the axe very recklessly during the first year he was at the heim. It will be midsummer before the democrats appointed since 1885 will be taken up seriatim. This will explain the delay in making changes in fourth-class postmasterships demanded by prominent republicans throughout the country.

RUSK'S HUMOR. Secretary Rusk bids fair to prove one of the most popular members of the adminis-tration. His good sense and sturdy honesty of purpose are supplemented by a keen sense of humor that make him a most entertain ing companion, and he receives more invita-tions than any other public man in Washington. The other day a visitor at the agricul tural department gazing over the ample grounds in which the buildings are located turned to the secretary and remarked:

"You've got the prettiest place in the "Of course, why not?" was the prompt rejoinder. "You know the secretary of agri-culture is the tail end of the cabinet and the tail is almost altogether ornamental. As its principal use," the secretary continued, with a merry twinkle in his eye, "is to keep the flies off the other members of the cabi

FOR MINISTER TO RUSSIA In administration circles to-day the name of General Felix Agnus, proprietor of the Baltimore American, the leading southern republican newspaper, was freely discussed in connection with the Russian mission, to in connection with the Russian mission, to succeed the late Allen Thorndyke Rice. General Agaus was a great soldier, is an eminent editor and a natural diplomat. Maryland republicans have received no rec-ognition for places outside the state so far ognition for places outside the state so far under this administration, and the appoint ment of General Agnus would be very grat-ifying to them. General Agnus is a native of France and a warm personal friend of General Boulanger's. The red and white wines which were used at the Agnus banquet wars Bullingry on Wednesday last were near Haltimore, on Wednesday last, sent as a compliment by General langer, who is now an exile in London. The Chablis came from General Boulanger's private vault. Perry S. Heath.

Secretary Tracy Economizing. WASHINGTON, May 17 .- Secretary Tracy has turned his attention to the matter of purchasing supplies for the navy and has already made an order inaugurating considerable economic reform. It appears the practice of the department has been to pur-chase supplies for the navy by advertising at the beginning of each official year, making the list of purchases extensive enough to cover the probable needs of the different bureaus during the entire year. Upon in-quiry the secretary learned that in making these purchases no regard was had for the amount of stores on hand. This led to the accumulation of stores, which in many cases rapidly deteroriated, and caused loss to the government. Secretary Tracy has, therefore, jus procured a statement that the amount of stores now on hand is valued \$2,600,809, and as advertisements for supplies for the next fiscal year will soon be issued, he intends this amount shall be deducted from the value of the stock to be purchased next month. At the rate of expenditure indulged in Apring the last quarter, enough supplies

to last five years would have been accumulated if maintained during the next fiscal

Judge Savage Resppointed. Washington, May 17.—Among the ap-pointments made by the president to-day, were the following: John W. Whiteher, of Nevada, United States attorney for Nevada; THE MATTHEWS SUCCESSORSHIP John Murphy, of Dakota, attorney for the territory of Dakota; James W. Savage, of Omaha, Neb., government director of the Union Pacific railroad; John R. Lynch, of Mississippi, fourth auditor of the treasury, and L. W. Habercom, of the District of Columbia, fifth auditor of the treasury; Amos Smith, jr., of Ohio, surveyor of customs for Cincinnate.

OMAHA, SATURDAY MORNING MAY 18, 1889.

Cadets Appointed. Washington, May 17.—The following per-

ons have been appointed cadets at the military academy: Howard R. Perry, of Mc Henry, Fifth Illinois district; G. G. Cowell, Kingston, Fifth Illinois district, and D. W. Kilburn, of Chicago, Second Illinois district. Charles Rosser, of Wisconsin, has been ap-pointed lithographer of the postoffice department, vice David Enright, removed.

Bayard's Engagement. WASHINGTON, May 17.-The Every Even-

ing, to-day, confirms the rumored engagement of ex-Secretary Bayard to Miss Cly-mer, a daughter of Dr. Clymer, of the United States navy. The wedding will occur early in the summer.

THE CARTER CASE.

Lawyer Bynes Begins the Final Speech For the Plaintiff. CHICAGO, May 17.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Lawyer Walker closed for the defense in the Carter case, to-day, and Mr. Hypes began the final speech for Mrs. Carter. It was a powerful plea in her behalf. He scored Carter in a vigorous manner, and He scored Carter in a vigorous manner, and charged that the evidence against the wife was bought and paid for. He called the jury's attention to the fact that the plaintiff stood before them without a single male relative to champion her cause, while on the other side is the Carter family, that has lived in Chicago for years; is powerful, wealthy and strongly entrenched behind a social barricade. A family whose great influence reaches out on every side to a large society following, interested in the vindication of the Carters. Court adjourned before Mr. Hynes had finished. He will resume Monday, and the case will probably go to the Monday, and the case will probably go to the

LEGISLATORS PLAY BALL. The Exhausted Scorer Relieved By

Darkness.
Springfield, Ill., May 17.—A game of base ball to-day between picked nines from the republican and democratic members of the ower house of the general assembly drew a large crowd of hilarious partisans. Early in the game Kent, who was pitching for the re-publicans, ran into a foul tip and had his nose broken. Ford succeeded him, but finally the republicans were compelled to to hire a small boy to occupy this dangerous

The features of the game were the home runs by Wiley, Jones and Wilk, the latter making the circuit of the bags on three strikes, and the superb third base playing of Warren. Brown, of La Salle, was the scorer, and the odds were offered by the sporting fraternity that if two more unnings were played and Brown held out, the democratic score would reach an even hundred. At the end of the fourth inning the game

Democrats, 37; republicans, 7.
Darkness was closing in and the long suffering spectators cried, "Enough."

RIOTING ITALIANS. Five Seriously Wounded and Several

Badly Battered. WHEELING, W. Va., May 17 .- A telegram from Beverly, Randolph county, says a terrible riot occurred there, yesterday, between the Italiau laborers on the extension of the West Virginia Central railroad. About fifty men were engaged in the trouble, which was of a most serious nature, and was only quelled with great difficulty. Three men were shot and badly wounded. Two others were seriously stabbed, and others were beaten struck with stones, etc. No names are given, and there are no indications of ar

Strikers Killed by Troops Berlin, May 17.—The Freisinnige Zeitung says that the negotiations between the mine owners and the striking miners looking to a settlement of their dispute has been suspended owing to Krable, a mine owner, declining to entertain the demands of the strikers The other mine owners were prepared to consider them. A conflict occurred near Breslau, during which troops fired on the strikers, killing a number of them.

Later-Although the negotiations between the mine owners and strikers so far have been a failure, it is hoped that the masters at their meeting at Bochun, to-morrow, will accept the terms of the miners. The miner delegates to day reported to the strikers at Portmund the result of their visit to Berlin. Over 5,000 strikers approved the proposed compromise and their intention to accede to nothing beyond that. A large proportion of the miners have resumed work, relying upon the emperor's active influence with the em-

Murderer Redmond Captured. WHITEWOOD, Dak., May 17 .- [Special Tel egram to THE BEE. |-Deputy United States Marshal G. W. Harris and George D. Mathie son, of Pierre, arrived from the west yesterday in search of Arthur Redmond, who is charged with murdering W. J. Duncan, near Pierre, some time ago. Early in the day a report was circulated that a man was seen about twenty-five miles from here driving a stallion, and Harris started for that country.
The man was captured while making a sale
of the horse to a farmer and brought to this
place to-day. Redmond had on his person about \$600 in money, some checks made payable to the murdered man, and letters. He is quite cool and unconcerned about the matter, though uncommunicative. The party ter, though uncommunicative. The party will leave on the train to-day for Rapid City where they will go overland to Pierre.

Distinguished Visitors to Huron. HURON, Dak., May 17 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE.] - General-Superintendent Sanborn, Assistant-Superintendent Hallenbeck, Land-Commissioner Simmons, and other Chicago and Northwestern railway officials, with Attorney-General Hunt, of Illinois, and Hon. J. L. Cavin, of Philadelphia, are here to-day. It is thought their visit has some connection with the extension of the road from Gettysburg and Forest City. Mayor Rice has received a positive assurance from S. S. Cox that he will be here to deliver the contract of the road of the oration on July 4. Governor Mellette, Delegate Matthews and Judge Moody will also be here. The citizens are arranging for the grandest demonstration in the history of Da-

PIERRE, Dak., May 17 .- | Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-Yesterday some thirty capi-

talists from Des Moines were in Pierre, the guests of the board of trade. Last night a public meeting was participated in by the capitalists and citizens generally, and to-day they have been making investments largely over the city; one syndicate of four, alone, having bought 173 lots.

The Weather Indications. For Nebraska: Generally fair weather, slightly warmer, variable winds. For lows: Fair in western portion, rain in eastern portion, slight rise in temperature, variable winds.

For Dakota: Fair, warmer, westerly

SHOT IN THE SCHOOLROOM

A Washington Teacher Killed by Her Worthless Husband.

HE THEN TAKES HIS OWN LIFE.

Her Little Girl Pupils Horrified-Witnesses of the Murder and Suicide-She Refused to Support Rim.

Died Where They Fell.

WASHINGTON, May 17 .- Little girls attending the third grade in the Jefferson public school building in the southern section of this city were standing in the aisles of the school room this afternoon about to bid the school good bye until to-morrow, when their teacher, Mrs. Sarah E. Ailen, was fatally shot in their presence by her worthless husband, who then killed himself. Allen has been supported by the earnings of his wife as a school teacher until some time ago she left him on account of his dissipated habits and frequent abuse and violence. He has and frequent abuse and violence. He has annoyed and threatened her several times since she refused to have anything more to do with him and she has been warned recently to beware of him. The children were first to see him when he entered the school room, and when they showed how startled they were at his appearance he called on them not to make any noise or he would shoot. Mrs. Allen had tried to escape, but her husband by this time was upon her, and saying: "Now I've got you where I want you," he fired at close range, the ball taking effect near the right ear and passing through her head. He then turned the pistol on himself and inflicted a fatal wound. The murdered nead. He then turned the pistol on himself and inflicted a fatal wound. The murdered wife and suicide fell together on the schoolroom floor, his arm about her neck and the revolver laying on her cheek. The startled, terror-stricken children almost created a panic, but some of the more collected of them ran for the other teachers, who succeeded in restoring order. Police and physicians were summoned, who did everything possible to make Mrs. Allen's last moments free from pain. She lingered semi-conscious for some time and then passed away. Her husband expired a few minutes after the arrival of the police.

Murder and Suicide.

NEWARK, N. J., May 17 .- John Hengle, a brewer, forced his way into Mrs. Scherzer's apartments this afternoon and probably fatally stabbed her, and then cut his own throat. Jealousy is supposed to be the mo-tive, as Hengler and Mrs. Scherzer had lived together up to the latter's marriage with Scherzer.

THE ILL-FATED ALASKAN.

No Tidings Received To-Day of Her Missing Crew. PORTLAND, Ore., May 17 .- No tidings were

eceived to-day of the crew of the Ill-fated steamer Alaskan, who, it is supposed, ere this has reached land or has gone to the bottom of the sea. The Oregon Railway and Navigation company has wired to all points

billows only to be dashed to pieces against the rocky cliffs, as they were eighteen miles off shore and the storm had not abated up to the time that the rescued ones were picked up The chances are rather against them, but all hope is not abandoned. It is not known to a certainty how many men were on the ship The crew numbered forty-four, and after he vessel put to sea three stowaways were found. The two stowaways are among the rescued. One of them said, to-day, that he knew there were five stowaways, which nakes the total number aboard forty-nine. Of this number, ten have been rescued have died, and thirty-three are missing.

In the General Assembly of the South ern Presbyterian Churches. CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., May 17 .- In the

general assembly of the southern Presbyterian churches, to-day, at Chattanooga, Tenn., a joint committee representing the northern and southern assemblies recom-mended that the relations of the colored race in the two sections of the church remain in

A man named Hickoy, afterwards, during the discussion of the question, created a com-moting by shouting: "Men and brethren, you are slaves stupified by the opiate of worldliness." He was hustled out scattering

Chief Mays and the Commission. Sr. Louis, May 17 .- The latest information from the Cherokee nation is to the effect that Chief Mays has taken no action yet in the matter of furnishing facilities for the transaction of business by the Cherokee commission which is expected there the 20th inst., to negotiate the purchase of Indian lands. He still declines to call a national council in special session to consider the matter, but says he will submit to that body at its regular session, in November next, any proposition the commission may make. He proposed a short time ago to call the people together to consuit with the commissioners but now it is said he will not even do that unless the council will appropriate enough money to cover the expenses.

Contract Laborers Detained. New York, May 17. - Ten contract labor ers, who arrived here from Rotterdam last night on the steamer Obdam, were detained at Castle Garden to-day. The immigrants said they came here at the instigation of the Prisoners' Aid society, of London, with the understanding that they were to place their services at the disposal of Samuel Nella, a so-called emigration agent at Sequane, Tex. The Castle Garden authorities say they have evidence to prove that the Prisoners' Aid society, of London, has been shipping Eng-lish convicts to Nella at the rate of one or

two a week for many months past. Baptist Home Missionary Society, Boston, May 17 .- The fifty seventh annual meeting of the American Baptist Home Missionary society was begun to-day. Nelson Blake, of Chicago, delivered the opening address. A resolution declaring that great religious destitution prevails among the army of the United States, and that an effort should be made to enlarge and improve the chaplaincy so that every post may be pro-vided with a vigorous minister of the gospel

One Thousand Men Strike. NEW YORK, May 17 .- Over one thousand store men working along the water front in Brooklyn, are out on a strike. They demand 25 cents an hour in lieu of 20 cents, which for the last ten months has been the rate at which they have been paid. The stores where the strike occurred are closed, and guarded by policemen. The strike is expected to ex-tend and include all the storemen along the

water front. Catholic Knights of America. CHATTANOOGA, May 17 .- At a meeting of the Catholic Knights of American to-day it was decided to hold the next meeting of the supreme council in Philadelphia on the sec-ond Tuesday in May, 1891. Officers were then chosen for the next year and the counBENNETT'S LATEST FREAK.

He Starts For Khartoum on a Mys-

terious Errand.

NEW YORK, May 17 .- It is stated to-night that New York newspaperdom and the clubs are greatly excited over a report from Europe that James Gordon Bennett, proprietor of the New York Herald, nas gone to Khartoum, the capital of the Mahdi's territory. Mr. Bennett left Paris three weeks ago went to Marseilles, thence to Alex andria, and this week he is in Cairo. Two stories have been cabled over in explanation of this singular journey. One is that at a Parisian club one night a discussion arose, during which an English army officer said it was impossible for any foreigner to enter Khartoum and depart alive. Bennett declared that anyone possessing sufficient brains and money could visit the Mahdi and turn unscathed. He offered a heavy wager that he himself would do it within a period of six months. The bet was prompt-ly accepted, and Bennett, accompanied by an intimate friead, started forthwith upon

the hazardous journey.

The other story is more startling. It is to the effect that on the evening in question at the club, Bennet received a dispatch from the correspondent at Cairo, stating that he had advices that General Gordon was still had advices that General Gordon was still alive and kept a close prisoner, and that the Mahdi, by reason of his reverses during the past year, was willing to have Gordon ransomed for 1,000,000 francs. Within the next few days Bennett made all arrangements for the trip and the payment of the ransom, and set out for Egypt.

But little can be learned in New York in confirmation of the story. One of the editors of the Herald says they have received a cablegram from Mr. Bennett at Cairo, but nothing is known about his prospective movements.

CYCLONE BILL.

He is One of the the Robbers of Paymaster Wham.

Tucson, Ariz., May 17.-Advices received from Fort Thomas say that Cyclone Bill, who was arrested at Clifton, is undoubtedly one of the gang that robbed Paymaster Wham. He answers the description of the lame man. He cannot explain his whereabouts during the hours previous to and after the robbery. Four others of the gang are known and will be arrested to-day.

Later. - Assistant Adjutant-General Volmar, department of Arizona, received a dispatch from Captain Lebo, Fort Thomas, Ariz., that "Cyclone Bill," who was arrested at Clifton for the robbery of Paymaster Wahm, was brought in last evening, and that W. F. Neunningham, of Fort Thomas, had been arrested. Both men and the woman, Frankie Stratton, have been identified as being among the party who robbed Wahm.

REMMLER'S DEATH WARRANT The Man Who is to be Executed by

Electricity.

Buffalo, N. Y., May 17.—The death warrant of William Kemmler, the first man convicted under the electrical execution law, has been signed, and he will be taken to the Auburn state prison in a few days. The Navigation company has wired to all points along the coast to be on the lookout, and if the men are found it will not be long before the company's officials here are notified. Effort also will be made to get word to the lighthouse tender Manzanata, which is cruising along the Oregon coast. The steamer Columbia sighted Manzanata Wednesday, and the light house tender is supposed to be at this time somewhere off Cape Blanco.

When the boats containing the men put out from the sinking ship they headed for land. They may have escaped the raging billows only to be dashed to pieces against warrant is directed to the warden of the of the Auburn state prison, or within the yard of the enclosure adjoining thereto, by then and there causing to pass through the body of him, the said William Kemmler, a current of electricity of sufficient quantity to cause death, and that the application of such current of electricity he continued in

A NOVEL EVENT.

An American Wedding to be Cele brated in the London Chapel Royal. [Copyright 1889 by James Gordon Bennett.] LONDON, May 17 .- [New York Herald Cable-Special to THE BEE. |-The engagement is announced between Colonel B. K. Jameson, the well known American banker, who has been staying in this city for the last five or six months, and Miss Jean Willard, of Washington. The wedding is to be cele brated at Chapel Royal, Savoy, on the 23d inst., and it is a peculiar fact that a genuine American wedding, in which both contracting parties are citizens, so to speak, of the great republic, is to be celebrated in the London Chapet Royal. Miss Willard is a typical American belle, and like her flancee, a grea favorite in society. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. Henry White, chaplain to the queen.

A Wyoming Editor Assaulted. LABAMIE, Wyo., May 17 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-Information was received, to-day, of a lively scene in the office of the Independent, at Rock Springs, yesterday. It grew out of Tuesday's municipal election, in which the low license ticket was defeated. The Independent favored increasing the license, incurring the bitter ill-will of the saloon men. One of the latter, Dick Keenan, went to the Independent office and showed a disposition to confiscate tweek's issue of the paper. Editor N. Dresser objected, and in the altercation which ensued revolvers were drawn Neither fired, but Keenan struck Dresser over the head, felling him to the floor, and injuring him severely. This is the second time Keenan has assaulted Dresser.

The Samoan Conference. BERLIN, May 17 .- The members of the

Samoan conference were closeted two hours to-day,
The Post's Berlin correspondent, referring to the Samoan conference, says: The com-mittee reports on the land and government questions were presented to the conference to-day. The report on government was approved with the exception of a few details, which were left for the next meeting. Judging from the unanmity shown to-day a final agreement will be arrived at.

An Aborigine in Quad. CHAMBERLAIN, Dak., May 17 .- [Special

Telegram to THE BEE. |-Sheriff Van Horn, to-day, arrested Buck Antelope, a Sioux Indian, for stealing clothing. This is one of the worst Indians on the reservation and the authorities have been after him for a A Chicago Blaze. CHICAGO, May 17 .- At 1 o'clock this morn

ing twelve small cottages located at Avenue K and One Hundred and Sixth street, South Chicago, are in flames, but the fire is probaoly under control. The loss will reach

A Town Nearly Destroyed. INDIANAPOLIS, May 17 .- The business portion of Hunlingburg, Dubois county, was burned this morning by an incendiary The losses aggregate \$175,000, with little in-

Steamship Arrivals. At Bremerhaven-The Lahn, from New

York. At New York-The Bothnia, from Liverpool; the Saale, from Bremer. Turks Massacreing Christians

the capital of Montenegro, that Christians are being massacred by Turks on the Montenegren frantier. A \$45,000 Fire.

stroyed by fire to-day; loss, \$45,000.

London, May 17 .- It is stated at Cottinje

CHICAGO, May 17 .- A number of stores in

Cummings, a rolling mill suburb, were de

PATRICK EGAN ON CRONIN.

The President of the League Doesn't Think Him Dead.

TREASURER O'REILLY SCORNFUL.

It is Nonsense to Suppose That the Missing Man Was Put Out of the Way-His Odd \$40,000 Subscription.

The Minister to Chili Feasted. CHICAGO, May 17. [Special Telegram to THE PRE.]—Patrick Egan, the new minister to Chill, and ex-president of the Irish National League, was tendered a reception by the Irish-American club, of this city, this

evening. In the afternoon, at the hotel with Dr. O'Reilly, the treasurer of the League, Mr. Egan talked of the missing Dr. Cronin. Re was asked: "What do you think of the formation of the committee of Irishmen to investigate Cronin's disappearance!"

"So far as I know," he said, "there is not an atom of foundation upon which to rest the belief that Cronin was removed by enemies of the Irish cause. If those Irishmen, in this city, who are interesting themselves in the search for him believe there has been foul play, I know nothing of their reasons for so believing, and before many more decided statements are made, it occurs to me that it would be proper to give the public some facts.

"Personally," said Mr. Egan, "I did not know Cronin, other than as a person I had met casually several times. I remember he was a member of the celebrated 'Palmer house committee,' in 1886, that tried to get up a counter-movement to the convention that year and failed.

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"That he was removed, because of a knowledge of crookedness in Dr. O'Reilly's account with the Parnell fund, is hardly probable, and might well be considered preposterous. The Chicago funds, which, it is said, were misappropriated, did not go through Dr. O'Reilly's hands at all. I know nothing about the case of the constant of the constant of the constant of the constant of the case of the nothing about the case, but one thing sug-gests itself to me, and that is a good many rishmen are talking rashly. To assume that he was murdered appears to me to be going too far. The committee of ten in this city ought either to show better reasons for pronouncing the case one of that sort, or do less talking? ess talking.

Dr. O'Reilly said it was absurd to connect the disappearance of Cronin with the busi-ness of his office. "I don't know Cronin personally," said he,
"but I remember him as the person who,
three years ago, subscribed \$40,000 to the
Parnell fund. It was at the Palmer House
convention, and in the excitement of the time he came up and put his name down for that amount. It was a question with me, at once, whether or not he would be able to pay it and as soon as I had talked with a few

people about him I concluded it didn't amount to anything." BISHOP'S DEATH.

Drs. Irwin, Nance and Ferguson Held Under Bonds.

NEW YORK, May 17 .- [Special Telegram o THE BEE. |-Mrs. E. S. Bishop, mother of the dead mind-reader, has written this letter to the president of the board of coroners:

"I am of the belief, from my knowledge of previous attacks that my son has suffered, that the autopsy, performed by Drs. Irwin and Ferguson, was not warranted. I therefore demand that a further examination be

The funeral, which was to have taken place to-morrow, has been postponed, and an autopsy will be had to-morrow. Coroner Levy to-day held inquiry in the matter of the death of Washington Irving Bishop, the mind reader. As a result Drs. Irwin, Nance and Ferguson were held in bonds of \$2,500 each, to await the inquest, which will be held next week.

THE COOK COUNTY ASYLUM. Disgraced By Incompetents With a

"Pull." CHICAGO, May 17 .- In the investigation into the condition of the insane asylum, today, one of the attendants admitted that under a former administration one of the patients was beaten to death by another confined in the same room. Dr. Noble, a mem-ber of the medical staff, testified that nearly three hundred patients were confided to his care, and that a large proportion of his work was the treating of wounds received in fights between the patients.

Another witness testified that the attendants were appointed on recommendation by the county commissioners, and that their appointments were not based on their fitness for the work, but because they had a "polit-ical pull," and the consequence was that many of the attendants were wholly incom-

Nebraska and Iowa Pensions. Washington, May 17 .- | Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-Pensions granted Nebraskans: Original invalid-Ferdinand Rube, William Garland, Nathan Gordon, Abram D. Skidgel, sr. Increase-Jacob R. Gilmore, Reissue-Henry Schmitz.
Pensions for Iowans: Daniel Pomercy.

Samuel J. Taylor, Delos Budiong, Edward A. Moore, Conrad Snafer, Jesse E. Tippey, John Albors, David Myers. Restoration and increase—Alexander Nicholas, Increase— Jesse Thayer, Fuiton J. Smith, James A. Pace, Greenville Haie, Aaron M. Harter, Joseph H. M. Edwards. Reissue—Samuel H. Brightwell, Robert L. Lillybridge, Marin R. Lowery. Original widows, etc.— Martha, widow of Michael Langan; Nancy, mother of Sylvester E. Allen.

The Indians Willing to Sign. PIERRE, Dak., May 17 .- Special Telegram to The Ber. |-The Indians at Cheyenne agency, at a recent big council, decided on the manner of treating with the Sioux commission. They have appointed out of the different tribes a council of fifty, and twelve were elected judges. The council decided upon a plan of action for the entire tribe, who are bound by their action. At the meeting of the council this week many speeches were made on the Sioux bill, and a large ma-jority, from what is learned, favored accepting its provisions at once upon the coming of the commission, only a very few being unthe commission, only a very few being undecided.

A Big Boom in Yankton. YANKTON, So. Dak., May 17.- Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-Things are booming here. The pontoon bridge company is here locating the bridge. Work is to commence at once on the new, \$100,000 hotel, and two other large business blocks. Lots are selling rapidly in the new and popular addition of Dashwood. Investors from all parts of the country are here seeking investments in Yankton real estate. Yankton is desirous of getting a railroad direct to Omaha. Sid-ney Smith, architect, of Omaha, is here

making plans for the proposed new build-

An Indian Hanged. Tucson, A. T., May 17.-Firmino Apepago. an Indian, was hanged to-day for the murder of Patrick Ford, a prospector. This is the first execution of an Indian in Arizona under the recent decision of the United States supreme court, which gives the ter-ritorial courts jurisdiction of all Indian

criminals. Gold for Shipment.

New York, May 17. - The total gold en gaged for snipment to-day was \$1,750,000.